



HOLMDEL TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Office of the Superintendent

May 6, 2022

Dear Holmdel Public Schools Community,

I hope this finds you all well having had a great week and looking forward to a restful weekend. I would like to wish all the moms all the best for a restful and joyful Mother's Day with your families and loved ones. American author and diplomat Washington Irving, perhaps said it best. "A mother is the truest friend we have, when trials heavy and sudden fall upon us; when adversity takes the place of prosperity; when friends desert us; when trouble thickens around us, still will she cling to us, and endeavor by her kind precepts and counsels to dissipate the clouds of darkness, and cause peace to return to our hearts." Thank you Holmdel moms for all you do everyday to support your children, our students.

It was another productive and successful week in our school district, as the Board of Education met on Wednesday night for its monthly public meeting. If you are interested in tuning in, included for your convenience is the meeting's [audio recording](#). Of note, the public hearing of the 2022–23 school year budget was held. The budget presentation can be accessed through the following [link](#). The district is pleased to present this budget for the community which prioritized both fiscal prudence and continued investment in programs, staff, and resources aligned to the district's mission.

Health Education Town Hall-DATE CHANGE: Please be advised that due to a scheduling conflict, the Health Education Town Hall which had been rescheduled to May 12 at 7:00 PM in the high school auditorium. I look forward to seeing you there to listen and learn. A reminder call will go out next week.

Tonight at 7:00 PM, the *25th Annual Holmdel High School Film Festival* will take place in the high school auditorium. The event is open to all Holmdel community members and admission is \$5.00 dollars at the door. If you're looking for a fun community event, please come out and support this long-standing Holmdel High School tradition.

Holmdel High School National Honor Society is sponsoring its first Relay for Life on Roggy Field from 4:00-10:00 pm on Friday, May 13th. The American Cancer Society Relay For Life

movement is the world's largest peer-to-peer fundraising event dedicated to saving lives from cancer. For over 35 years, communities across the world have come together to honor and remember loved ones and take action for lifesaving change. Funds raised through Relay For Life directly support breakthrough research, 24/7 support for cancer patients, access to lifesaving screenings, and much more. The event will have games, themed races, prizes and raffles, and more! Anyone interested in attending Relay for Life can register individually or as a team through the following [registration link](#).

ICYMI: Testing Calendar: As we enter into the month of May, the spring New Jersey State standardized testing season will commence anew. Please find the [District Testing Calendar](#) for your information, we wish your children, our students. the best of luck as they take on these assessment challenges.

School Calendar Revision: At Wednesday's Board of Education meeting, a revised district calendar was approved. Please be advised that the district will dismiss early for students and staff on Thursday, May 26 in advance of the Memorial Day weekend. This represents the second half of the snow day giveback which had been previously built into the calendar for Friday May 27th.

Just a reminder that the last day of school is June 21st which will be an early dismissal for students. The countdown is on, let's finish safe and strong Hornets!

I thank you in advance for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,



Dr. J. Scott Cascone
Superintendent of Schools